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PLEASE PASS TO R.C. PORTER

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SUBJECT: KIEV CONSULATE PROPERTIES  
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1. THERE FOLLOWS TEXT OF JUNE 18 GARRISON-VORONTSOV  
LETTER CONFIRMING ARRANGEMENTS GOVERNING ESTABLISHMENT  
OF RESPECTIVE CONSULATES GENERAL IN KIEV AND NEW YORK:

QUOTE: I REFER TO YOUR LETTER OF JUNE 9, 1975, REQUESTING  
AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE THE PROPERTY SITUATED IN NEW  
YORK CITY AT 9 EAST NINETY-FIRST STREET AND AN ADJACENT  
PLOT MEASURING APPROXIMATELY 12 BY 100 FEET FOR USE BY  
THE FUTURE SOVIET CONSULATE GENERAL.

PROCEEDING FROM THE US-USSR JOINT COMMUNIQUE OF JULY 3,  
1974 REGARDING THE SIMULTANEOUS ESTABLISHMENT OF A US  
CONSULATE GENERAL IN KIEV AND A SOVIET CONSULATE GENERAL  
IN NEW YORK, I BELIEVE YOU SHARE MY INTEREST IN  
SATISFYING THE PROPERTY REQUIREMENTS FOR BOTH OF OUR  
RESPECTIVE CONSULATES SO THAT THEY MAY BE ESTABLISHED WITH  
THE LEAST POSSIBLE DELAY.

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I AM PLEASED TO INFORM YOU THAT THE DEPARTMENT IS PREPARED TO APPROVE THE ACQUISITION BY THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT OF THE TWO PROPERTIES AT 9 EAST NINETY-FIRST STREET ON THE UNDER-

STANDING THAT YOU CAN CONFIRM THAT THE ARRANGEMENTS DESCRIBED BELOW WILL GOVERN THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE RESPECTIVE CONSULATES GENERAL IN KIEV AND NEW YORK:

--(1) THE ADVANCE PARTIES OF THE RESPECTIVE CONSULATE GENERAL STAFFS WILL ARRIVE WITHIN A FEW DAYS OF EACH OTHER ON DATES TO BE MUTUALLY AGREED.

--(2) RECONFIGURATION OF THE OFFICE BUILDINGS, INCLUDING REMODELLING OR REPAIR, WILL START SIMULTANEOUSLY. SPECIFIC CHANGES AT THE PREMISES IN NEW YORK FOR THE SOLE PURPOSE OF ENSURING THEIR PHYSICAL SECURITY, TO BE MADE IN ADVANCE OF THE BEGINNING OF RECONFIGURATION WORK ON THE BUILDING, WILL BE CONSIDERED BY THE DEPARTMENT UPON THE WRITTEN REQUEST OF THE EMBASSY. NEITHER OFFICE BUILDING WILL BE USED FOR ANY PURPOSE PRIOR TO THE BEGINNING OF RECONFIGURATION EXCEPT BY MUTUAL AGREEMENT. THE DEPARTMENT AGREES THAT THREE SOVIET EMBASSY EMPLOYEES, OF SECOND SECRETARY RANK OR BELOW, MAY BE STATIONED IN NEW YORK TOGETHER WITH THEIR FAMILIES, TO RESIDE IN THE BUILDING AT 9 EAST NINETY-FIRST STREET FOR THE SOLE PURPOSE OF SERVING AS CARETAKERS OF THE BUILDING.

--(3) THE CONSULATES GENERAL WILL OPEN SIMULTANEOUSLY ON A DATE TO BE MUTUALLY AGREED.

UPON RECEIPT OF A LETTER FROM YOU AGREEING TO THE ARRANGEMENTS OUTLINED ABOVE, THE DEPARTMENT WILL NOTIFY INTERESTED PARTIES OF ITS APPROVAL OF THE PURCHASE OF THE PROPERTIES THE EMBASSY HAS SELECTED IN NEW YORK. UNQUOTE. KISSINGER

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